1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Nagaland	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Orissa	2844	3083	5444	4306	4099	4108
Pondicherry	88	88	89	108	101	61
Punjab	6302	4663	7089	7028	6319	6429
Rajasthan	14064	13853	14247	12208	17690	15558
Sikkim	15	10	4	2	5	2
Tamil Nadu	3194	3086	7529	357	3363	3354
Tripura	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Uttar Pradesh	17568	14512	24271	26832	24203	21993
Uttaranchal	1413	898	1220	1636	1073	939
West Bengal	3518	3165	2735	2466		
TOTAL:	143665	136709	152780	136567	149846	130065

Note: 'N.A.' means 'Not Available'.

Impact of strike on availability of essential commodities

3082. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has assessed the impact of strike by truck operators and public sector petroleum companies officers on the availability of essential commodities;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to ensure that essential commodities are available to consumers unhindered?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Prices of food items, including cereals, vegetables and fruits, have remained steady in the wholesale market across the country during the strike period. There was also no problem of availability of essential commodities. As per the reports from the Civil Supplies departments of respective State Governments, there has been little impact on prices of essential commodities on account of the transporters strike. The strike of petroleum Public sector companies officers did not have direct and immediate impact on availability of essential commodities.

(c) In view of (b) above, Does not arise.